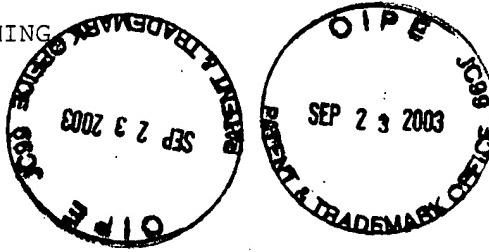


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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- A petition for extension of time is enclosed.
- A notice of appeal is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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